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TRENCHES OR VIAS WITH DUMMY STRUCTURES  
By: Hui WANG et al.  
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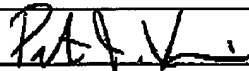
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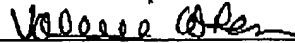
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**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.111**

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Dear Sir:

This is in response to the non-final Office Action dated May 9, 2006 (Paper No. 2000502), for which a response is due on August 9, 2006. Accordingly, this response is timely filed. Reconsideration and allowance of the pending claims, as amended, in light of the remarks presented herein are respectfully requested.

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